GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:130
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EXPORT OF FLOWERS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated export of various kinds of flowers specially cut flowers to various countries during 2001-02;

(b) the estimated contribution of Karnataka in the export of cut flowers;

(c) the countries to which cut flowers are being exported; and

(d) the facilities being provided to various States including Karnataka to push up our contribution to this $50 billion global business?

Answer

MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 130 BY SHRI R.L. JALAPPA FOR ANSWER ON 8-03-2002 REGARDING EXPORT OF FLOWERS.

(a) : Export of Floriculture products during the year 2001-02 is projected at Rs. 130 crores out of which the share of fresh cut flowers is likely to be about Rs. 50 crores.

(b) : State-wise export data is not maintained.

(c) : Cut flowers are mainly exported to Japan, Netherlands, Switzerland, Italy, USA, and Singapore.

(d) : Financial assistance is provided by Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) to exporters for various activities such as conducting pre-feasibility studies, development of infrastructure, export promotion and market development, packaging development, promotion of quality and quality control, organisation building and HRD and Research and Development. Some such facilities are:-

i) Cold storage and cargo handling facility at Bangalore Airport. and
ii) Marketing Center at Netherlands for export of flowers.